Amendments to the Specification

Please delete the paragraph spanning lines 17-23 on page 6 of the specification and replace it with the following paragraph:

absorbent members and other support members. Thus, the devices of the present invention can be of any standard format known to those skilled in the art, including, for example, a lateral flow device (as described in U.S. Patent 5,073,484 or U.S. Patent 5,654,162, both incorporated herein by reference), a flow-through device (as described in U.S. Patent 4,727,019, incorporated herein by reference), or any modifications of such devices readily known or determined by those skilled in the art.—